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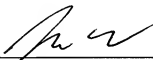
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Respectfully submitted,

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10/776,440	02/10/2004	John G. Gorman	19384-002002	2913

**TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FILTERING AND SORTING DATA**

APPL. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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